

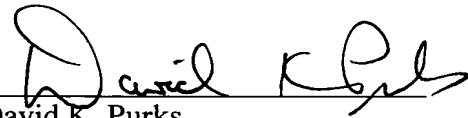
REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement of September 29, 2003, Applicant hereby elects "Invention I", corresponding to Claims 1-19 and 23-51 drawn to methods for decoding quantized and unquantized data symbols. Applicants have canceled "Invention II", corresponding to Claims 20-22, drawn to methods of decoding overlapping signals. This cancellation is being done without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application for these and/or other claims.

Applicants are not traversing the Restriction Requirement, because Applicants agree that, a determination of the unpatentability of Invention I would not necessarily imply the unpatentability of Invention II.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request favorable examination and allowance of Claims 1-19 and 23-51.

Respectfully submitted,



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